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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-102, relative to including as a premier type tourist resort a facility having certain characteristics located within a county having a population of not less than 38,900 nor greater than 39,000 according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-102(17), is amended by adding thereto the following new definitional subsection:

() A resort containing all of the following characteristics:

(i) Has a restaurant, with a current overall seating capacity of 280, including outside dining service, and which serves over 75,000 patrons per year;

(ii) Is located immediately adjacent to the Cherokee National Forest, the only national forest in Tennessee and the Cherohala Skyway, one of only twenty highways in the country designated as a national scenic byway;

(iii) Is located along the scenic Tellico River, a tributary of the Little Tennessee River;

(iv) Currently operates nine cabins, a river walk, and an open-air chapel and pavilion;

(v) After a proposed expansion will include at least thirty (30) cottages; a full-service health and wellness spa; a championship golf course; racquet club; adventure club for canoeing, kayaking, hiking, biking and other outdoor activities; an equestrian club; conference facilities; a hunt and fish club; crafts and education; and history tours;

(vi) Is located within a county having a population of not less than 38,900 nor greater than 39,000 according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census;

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.